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MONTHLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER REPORT

This report is now based on information received by the Food Distribution Administration from Class 1 and Class 2A livestock slaughterers operating under Food Distribution Order 75. It contains information similar to that of preceding reports but has been expanded by segregating the data received from Federally inspected and from non-inspected establishments.

It will be observed that the average dressing percentage for hogs has been omitted because of apparent misinterpretation by some establishments of the method for arriving at dressed weight. The missing figures will be made available as soon as possible so as to show an unbroken series.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
 CURRENT SERIAL RECORD
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WEIGHT, YIELD, AND COST OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

	:	:	Sept. :	August 1943	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE September 1943		
Class of Livestock	: Unit	:	1942	: Fed. Insp.:	Non-insp.	Fed. Insp.: Non-insp.	
<u>av. live wt. of animals</u>							
Cattle	Pounds		928.69	943.68	902.96	935.70	869.29
Steers <u>1/</u>	"		983.45	992.53	890.32	979.56	850.21
Calves	"		244.35	233.71	212.45	244.90	235.39
Hogs	"		250.27	276.68	224.13	262.31	217.09
Sheep and lambs	"		85.40	88.38	85.61	89.29	84.78
<u>av. yield</u>							
Cattle	Percent		53.35	53.52	52.70	52.13	51.76
Calves	"		56.21	55.37	56.82	55.86	58.82
Hogs	"		75.12				
Sheep and lambs	"		46.17	44.91	46.35	45.11	46.11
<u>av. cost per 100 pounds</u>							
Cattle	Dollars		11.10	11.95	12.21	12.71	11.70
Steers <u>1/</u>	"		13.10	13.88	13.73	14.88	13.03
Calves	"		11.85	12.61	11.99	11.60	12.97
Hogs	"		14.31	13.79	14.26	14.57	14.30
Sheep and lambs	"		11.57	10.48	12.74	10.86	12.28

NUMBER OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

September 1943 and 1942

Class of Livestock	Total slaughtered		Carcasses condemned	
	during September		during September	
	1943	1942	1943	1942
Cattle	1,146,020	1,158,758	6,335	5,789
Calves	531,906	513,052	1,555	1,027
Hogs	4,173,978	3,842,564	10,196	10,654
Sheep and lambs	2,453,630	2,222,704	15,002	16,726

1/ Steers also included in "Cattle" data.

SOURCES OF LIVESTOCK PURCHASES

Sources of supply	: Unit	: Sept. 1942	: August 1943	: September 1943		
	:	: 1942	: Fed. Insp.: Non-insp.	: Fed. Insp.: Non-insp.		
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<u>Cattle</u>						
Stockyards	Percent	75.72	80.30	68.13	79.50	73.89
Other	"	24.28	19.70	31.87	20.50	26.11
 <u>Calves</u>						
Stockyards	"	69.60	65.64	55.87	68.16	52.80
Other	"	30.40	34.36	44.13	31.84	47.20
 <u>Hogs</u>						
Stockyards	"	49.09	47.16	59.26	47.77	59.56
Other	"	50.91	52.84	40.74	52.23	40.44
 <u>Sheep and lambs</u>						
Stockyards	"	64.31	63.97	41.59	67.39	44.83
Other	"	35.69	36.03	58.41	32.61	55.17

CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED

<u>Cattle</u>						
Steers	Percent	44.40	50.82	54.50	44.95	58.02
Cows <u>2/</u>	"	51.36	44.00	33.92	38.90	23.54
Heifers <u>2/</u>	"				11.36	7.81
Bulls and stags	"	4.24	5.18	11.58	4.79	10.63
<u>Hogs</u>						
Sows	"	55.58	<u>3/</u> 39.28	<u>3/</u> 12.20	<u>3/</u> 34.90	<u>3/</u> 10.49
Barrows and gilts	"	43.69	<u>3/</u> 59.92	<u>3/</u> 87.36	<u>3/</u> 64.32	<u>3/</u> 87.81
Boars and stags	"	0.73	0.80	0.44	0.78	1.70
<u>Sheep and lambs</u>						
Sheep	"	17.66	33.35	12.06	29.94	6.52
Lambs and yearlings	"	82.34	66.65	87.94	70.06	93.48

2/ On previous reports cows and heifers were combined.

3/ Not comparable in that in the past gilts were included with sows.

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